

Lake County 4-H Newsletter!

January 27th Newsletter!



Hang in there! 43 days to Spring!

- 1.) Raffle announced! See page 3 for details
- 2.) Council Meeting is set to February 2nd, 6pm.
- 3.) Page 5 for an exciting class announcement!
- 4.) Fair dates announced! July 17th-25th.
- 5.) Mini libraries are nearing completion. Have your club planning for decoration and location!
- 6.) New Council Members and Thank you to our members who have served!

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Agenda/upcoming Items for our 4H Clubs

(Read this portion at your club meetings Online)

- 1.) We are kicking off our raffle! See Page 3 for details. Drawing will be April 19th at 5:30pm and on facebook live.
- 2.) Council Meeting, February 2nd, 6:00pm
- 3.) Mini Library Follow Up– We now have two completed libraries going up. How is your club's library? If you haven't received one, email/contact Bret at breton.homewood@montana.edu to let him know you are ready for yours today!
- 4.) Zsuites— Sign up now. Cost is \$25 per 4-H'er. Be sure <u>not</u> to sign up on 4honline anymore, as we are discontinuing that service. Enroll at https://4h.zsuite.org/
- 5.) Amazing Workshop announced Page 5. We request 4H'ers familiar with sewing machines, but they don't need to be advanced at sewing.
- 6.) Fair date announced for the week of July 17th-25th. Events and fair items will be determined later.
- 7.) Cloverbud meeting scheduled for February 8, at 6pm here at Lake County Extension.







2021 4-H Raffle

-Do Your Part!-

Raffle tickets are currently being printed. They will then be distributed to club leadership, who will then give you the books. We encourage everyone to do their part and sell the tickets. (4-H Lake County wants one book of 10 tickets sold per family.) Ticket price will be \$10 each. If you sell out of your tickets, request a book refill from your club leaders, or other families who are unable to sell all of their tickets.

Turn in the filled out stubs and money to Club leadership by the early April Club meeting. Club Leadership will get the stubs and raised money to Extension by the 14th of April.

Drawing will be held: Monday April 19th, 5:30pm

Top three club sales will win: \$70 towards a party or club function

Top three individual sales will receive: 1st place: \$50 gift card to Murdochs 2nd place: \$35 gift card to Cenex

3rd place: \$25 gift card to Westland Seed



How do all 4-H'ers benefit from this Raffle?

This question pops up from time to time, and it may be asked of you from people who buy our tickets. Where does the money go?

Here is a small list of items we use these funds for:

- 1.) Workshops– sewing classes, baking, wood working, lamp building, STEM, and added interests
- 2.) Project day— Materials, food, items to give our 4-H'ers exposer to many different topics
- 3.) Events— Family prom, Achievement day, ceremonies, and 4-H related programming
- 4.) Trips for 4-H'ers— Congress, multicounty camp, State and National trips, International trips
- 5.) Volunteer screening for our trainers and leaders. Council pays for background checks and funds leaders to teach programming like dog, cat, small animal, horse, shooting sports, and more.
- 6.) Community Center rental fees. 4-H pays to have the space we use for all events in Lake County.
- 7.) 4-H foundations, 4-H related office supplies
- 8.) Senior Scholarships— currently set at up to \$2000 given out per year to our graduating seniors who qualify, compete, and apply for it
- 9.) Fair awards— Rosettes, and awards for our competitive 4-H'ers who win at fair
- 10.) Program sustainability— We are able to function and do all these things because we have the money in our accounts. Keeping us funded every year is vital for our 4-H mission to educate and promote the positive development of our youth in Lake County.

Mountain-Made Pendleton™ Picnic Blankets!

-Weekend Series Workshop-February 20th, 9am-noon -Limit of 6-Cost: \$15

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Special Workshop announcement! We have secured some Pendleton, "made in Oregon," wool to assemble ourselves some picnic blankets just in time for spring! Each 4-H'er will assemble a 3' X 5' roll up blanket that will have a water-resistant bottom on it. Ready to throw in your saddle bag, backpack, or your parents car— these blankets will be an essential item with your camping/hiking/horsebackin' expedition into the Missions. Class will run about 3-4 hours and we will learn to sew basic quilting. Class will be aimed at 4-H'ers who are beginners, but who can use a sewing machine.

We will then wrap up the class with a real picnic in the community center with some snacks!















Cloverbud's Page

Meeting Announcement for Cloverbud Fun!

Key Cloverbud leaders will meet to design the quarterly cloverbud gala on Monday, <u>February 4th</u>, at 6 PM. All Cloverbud parents are invited to attend! We will discuss cloverbud activities in 4-H and explore future workshop ideas for a March activity for the kiddos.







Scholarships!

Announcing Scholarships for our 4-H Seniors!

The Lake County Scholarship committee will reconvene and we will be announcing our scholarships for the upcoming year shortly. In the meantime, check out the Montana State 4 -H Scholarship page for details about ones you can apply to today! (Link Below)

http://www.montana4h.org/programs/grants/scholarships.html

Citizenship Seminar!

If participants **login to zsuites** and either look on the January calendar or at the bottom of their dahsboard they can see this information as well.

The Montana 4-H Citizenship Seminar will take place virtually using Zoom. Participants will interact with 4-H members from across the State as they study the many aspects of citizenship.

They will learn how to write a bill and will be part of a "mock" legislature, acting as 4-H "Senators." Bills will be debated in committees and on the 4-H Senate Floor.

When: The Seminar will be a four week program, one evening a week. The Seminar will start on Tuesday, January 19 and continue January 26, February 2 and February 9. Each session will be at 6:00-8:30pm via Zoom.

Eligibility: 4-H members must be 13 years of age by October 1, 2020

Fair Theme Contest

It is that time of year again! We will be selecting a name for our new fair in January, and the winning club will get \$100 from the Fair Board! Please email lake1@montana.edu your name idea today to enter! The decision will be made at the January Fair Board Meeting.

Special Awards Committee

Special awards will meet on the <u>1st of February</u> at 6pm here at Extension to continue work on how special awards will be handled in the future.

Open to all 4-H families, we welcome your input!





Mini Library Instructions



For now we request that clubs:

- *Find a location, obtain permissions and bury the 4x4 stand assembly (We will provide your club with that shortly.)
- *(Optional) Register your library and order the plaque for it at https://littlefreelibrary.myshopify.com/products/silver-aluminum-charter-sign? variant=17506180993
- *Paint and decorate your box- TAKE PHOTOS!
- *Make bookmarkers for it
- *Find donation books and canned foods for your boxes
- *HAVF FUN!!!!

We have a head start of books and canned goods for the library at the office if you need it!

















Library Updates!

Congratulations to Saddle Mountain and the 4-H Ambassadors for completing their libraries! They will now be putting their libraries up in their locations and shelving them with books!

If your club hasn't received a library yet to decorate, email breton.homewood@montana.edu to let Bret know your club is ready for their library.

Saddle Mountain's Library!









Ambassador Library!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
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3	4	5 Council Meeting 6:00pm	6	7	8	9 Steer Weigh In 9-11am		
10	11	12 Awards Meet- ing	13	14	15	16		
17	18	19	20	21	22	23 Bread Bake Workshop		
24	25	26	27	28	29	30		

February 2021								
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat		
31	1 Special Awards Meeting 6PM	2 4-H Council	3	4 Cloverbud Meeting 6PM	5	6		
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14	15	16	17	18	19	20 Pendleton Class		
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Council Agenda February, 2nd 6:00pm

Lake County 4-H Council Tuesday, February 2nd, 2021, Extension Office, 6 p.m.

Call Meeting to Order

Pledges

Icebreaker -- What's your favorite St. Valentine's Day memory

Awards Letter Preparation

Minutes - Of previous meeting, January 5th, 2021

<u>Financial Report</u> – Account Balances

Checking -- Awards -- Savings

Election for Vice President

Reports

Fundraising Workshops Awards Cloverbuds

Ambassadors Beef Weigh-in Fair dates
ZSuites/Enrollment Legislative Breakfast/Citizenship Seminar

Old Business

Vice President Installation

New Business

New Family Orientation

Announcements

People Partner Grants



Lake County 4H Council Meeting Minutes

January 5, 2021, 6pm, Extension Office

Call to order: Jen Davis Pledges: Jen Davis

Ice Breaker: Berl Tiskus had everyone share their 4H New Year's resolution.

Minutes of Previous Meeting: November 3, 2020 - Diana Luke moved to approve minutes as written and Tracey Wheeler seconded. Motion

passed.

Treasurer's Report:

Checking - \$20,278.81 Awards - \$196.61 Foundation - \$24,798.25; unchanged Savings - \$13,841.07; unchanged

Reports:

Fundraising – Jen Davis reported that she secured the raffle permit for this year. Tickets will be to leaders for their February meeting and collected by April for the drawing. So far one half pig is secured at each Jake's and Frank's for \$500 total cost. Also one half beef will be available at Jake's, price tbd. We are looking for another one half hog. Next meeting is Tuesday, January 19, 6pm.

Ambassadors - Helped at winter project day and had a New Year's party. They would like to put on a family prom in the future.

Workshops – Berl reported that the leather craft group had a field trip to Main Street for a nice demo, then came back to make key chains. Polson Stone and Tile donated granite slabs for use in leather crafting. Breton reported both dog bed classes were full.

Project Day – lots of variety, about 35 kids plus leaders and ambassadors turned out, and the use of space around the office and community center was great.

Awards – voted to keep solicitation letter as is and send out, Diana Luke moved to approve the grand/reserve amount set at \$15/\$10 respectively for 3 years, Tracey Wheeler 2nd, and motion passed. January 12th, 6pm is next meeting.

ZSuites – Berl reported 154 kids enrolled. Diana Luke said it was difficult to differentiate between enrollment and book fees, and Breton said he'd look into it.

Enrollment Incentives - tshirts are ordered for enrollment drawing

Old Business:

Elections – Vice president chair is open. Nominating committee will look for a replacement: Tracey Wheeler, Breton Homewood, Jen Davis, and Erika Mitchell.

New Business:

Legislative Breakfast/Citizenship Seminar – virtual event, January 19th plus Sunday afternoon training. Diana Luke made a motion to approve the \$25 donation for Montanans for 4H Legislative Breakfast. Tracey Wheeler 2nd the motion and all agreed.

Citizenship Washington Focus – also virtual. Kids will learn to draft a bill and present it in a mock legislative session. More info on the Montana 4H website.

Installation of officers – Jack Stivers thanked outgoing officers, vice chair Toni Taylor and secretary Erika Mitchell. He then installed new officer, secretary Tracey Wheeler.

Announcements:

Market Beef weigh in Saturday, January 9, from 9-11am at FFA.

Next meeting Feb 2, 6pm

Adjourn: Jen Davis adjourned at 7:22pm